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### **Bishop Olmsted will Deliver Christmas Mass to Inmates**

On Sunday, December 25, Christmas Day, Bishop Thomas J. Olmsted will celebrate mass with inmates and Correctional Officers at the Arizona State Prison Complex-Perryville, Santa Cruz Unit at 9 a.m.

“It’s a difficult time for the inmates,” Bishop Olmsted said. “I want to be with them and show them God loves them, and he’s with them.”

A cornerstone in the department’s comprehensive re-entry initiative is faith-based practices. “Inmates who find faith, find themselves. From that discovery flows newfound hope, greater love for others, and a renewed commitment to community,” Corrections Director Dora Schriro said.

Because the mass will be held inside the secure perimeter of the prison, it is closed to the public.

The media is asked to meet Bob Huhn at the main entrance of the prison no later than 8:30am, Sunday morning.

Members of the media interested in attending, please contact Bob Huhn at (602) 542-3133 or (602) 364-1712 no later than 4 p.m. Friday, December 23. Names, social security and driver license numbers, of those who will cover the event must be submitted to ADC, as soon as possible.

